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Weſtminſter, March 3.

THIS Day, the Lords being met, a Meſſage was ſent to the Honourable Houſe of Commons, by Robert Quarme, Eſq; Yeoman Uſher of the Black Rod, acquainting them that *the Lords, authorized by Virtue of His Majeſty's Commiſſion, for declaring His Royal Aſſent to ſeveral Acts agreed upon by both Houſes, do deſire the immediate Attendance of this Honourable Houſe in the Houſe of Peers, to hear the Commiſſion read*; and the Commons being come thither, the ſaid Commiſſion, impowering the Lord Archbiſhop of Canterbury, the Lord High Chancellor of Great-Britain, the Lord Preſident of the Council, and ſeveral other Lords therein mentioned, to declare and notify the Royal Aſſent to the ſaid Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Aſſent given to

An Act for enabling the Commiſſioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of Great Britain to grant Commiſſions, or Letters of Marque, to the Commanders of Private Ships and Veſſels, employed in Trade, or retained in His Majeſty's Service, to take and make Prize of all ſuch Ships and Veſſels, and their Cargoes, as are therein mentioned, for a limited Time

An Act to empower His Majeſty to ſecure and detain Perſons charged with, or ſuſpected of, the Crime of High Treaſon, committed in any of His Majeſty's Colonies or Plantations in America, or on the High Seas, or the Crime of Piracy.

An Act for defraying the Charge of the Pay and Cloathing of the Militia in that Part of Great Britain called England, for one Year, beginning the Twenty-fifth Day of March, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-ſeven.

An Act to amend ſo much of an Act made in the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, (intituled, An Act for eſtabliſhing certain Regulations for the better Management of the Affairs of the Eaſt-India Company, as well in India as in Europe) as relates to the Day on which the Annual Election of Directors of the ſaid Company is to be made.

An Act for veſting in David Hartley, Eſquire, his Executors, Adminiſtrators, and Aſſigns, the ſole Uſe and Property of a certain Method, by him invented, of ſecuring Buildings and Ships againſt the Calamities of Fire, throughout His Majeſty's Dominions, for a limited Time.

An Act for the better Relief and Employment of the Poor of the Pariſh of St. Mary Iſlington the County of Middleſex; and for building a Workhouſe for the ſaid Pariſh.

An Act for repairing and widening the Road from a Place called Crouch-hill, in the Pariſh of Henfield, to the Turnpike Road leading from Brighthelmſtone to Cuckfield, and from the Eaſt Side of the ſaid Turnpike Road to the Town of Ditchling, in the County of Suſſex.

An Act to repeal an Act of the Thirty-third Year of His late Majeſty, for amending, widening, and keeping in Repair, ſeveral Roads leading from the Market Houſe in the Town of Kidderminſter in the County of Worceſter; and alſo to repeal ſo much of Two Acts, of the Tenth of His late Majeſty, and the Seventh of His preſent Majeſty, as relate to the Road from The Mitre Oak to a Farm Houſe called Goodneſs; and from Titton Brook to the Hamlet of Wribbenhall in the ſaid County; and to diſcontinue the Powers of an Act of the Eighth of His preſent Majeſty, ſo far as relate to the Road from The Croſs of the Hands near Goodneſs Farm to a Place called The Spout; and for more effectually amending, widening, and keeping in Repair, the ſeveral Roads deſcribed in the firſt-mentioned Act; and alſo ſeveral other Roads therein mentioned.

An Act for repairing and widening the Road leading from the Maypole, in the Town of Henfield, over Poyning's Common, to the Town of Brighthelmſtone, and from Poyning's Common aforeſaid to High Croſs, in the Pariſh of Albourne; and from thence for the Diſtance of two Furlongs of the Road or Lane leading towards Twineham, and from the Marle Pit near the Bottom of Saddleſcombe Hill, in the Pariſh of Newtimber, to the Marle Pit fronting Newtimber Broad-Lane, in the ſame Pariſh in the County of Suſſex.

An Act to enlarge the Term and Powers of an Act made in the Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of His late Majeſty, (for repairing the Roads from the Town of Leeds, through Harwood, to the South-Weſt Corner of the Incloſures of Harrogate; and from thence in two Branches (one through Ripley over Burage Green, and the other through Knareſborough and Boroughbridge) to Ripon; and from thence to the firſt Rill of Water or Water courſe on Hutton Moor in the County of York; and for repairing the Sloughs or Ruts on the ſaid Moor) ſo far as the ſame relates to the Road leading from the South Weſt Corner of the Incloſures of Harrogate (through Knareſborough) to Boroughbridge.

An Act for repairing and widening the Road from Stall-gate Cloſe, at the South Weſt End of the Town of Bedford to the Town of Ampthill, and from the ſaid Town of Ampthill to Woburn Park, in the County of Bedford; and alſo the Road branching out of the ſame in Kempſton Field, to the Turnpike Road leading from Hockcliffe to the ſaid Town of Bedford.

An Act for repealing an Act made in the Twenty-ſeventh Year of His late Majeſty King George the Second, for amending, widening, and keeping in Repair, the Road leading from Union Point, near the Town of Uckfield, in the County of Suſſex, to Langney Bridge, in the Pariſh of Weſtham, in the ſaid County, and for more effectually repairing the ſaid Road; and alſo for amending, widening, and keeping in Repair, the Road from the Side Gate on the Horſebridge Turnpike Road in the Pariſh of Hellingly to the Turnpike Road leading from Croſs in Hand to Burwaſh, in the ſaid County.

An Act for repairing and widening the Road from Combe Bridge, through Winſley and Bradford, to Staverton Bridge, and to the Trowbridge Road on Aſhton Common; and alſo the Road from Bradford Bridge to Cockhill Gate, all in the County of Wilts; and for making effectual Proviſion for maintaining a Bridge over the River Avon at Stokesford in the ſame County.

An Act for continuing the Term of Two Acts paſſed in the Fourth and Twenty-fourth Years of His late Majeſty King George the Second, for repairing the Roads leading from the moſt Southern Part of Butt Lane, in the Pariſh of Lawton, in the County Palatine of Cheſter, to Lawton; and from thence to Henſhall's Smithy, upon Cranage Green, in the ſaid County.

An Act for enlarging the Term, and continuing the Powers, of Two Acts of Parliament, one paſſed in the Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of His late Majeſty King George the Second, intituled, An Act for repairing the Roads from the Town of Leeds through Harwood, to the South Weſt Corner of the Incloſures of Harrogate; and from thence in two Branches (one through Ripley over Burage Green, and the other through Knareſborough and Boroughbridge) to Ripon; and from thence to the firſt Rill of Water or Watercourſe on Hutton Moor, in the County of York; and for repairing the Sloughs or Ruts on the ſaid Moor;" and the other paſſed in the Twenty ninth Year of His ſaid Majeſty's Reign, to explain and amend the ſaid firſt-mentioned Act, with reſpect to the Road from the Town of Leeds, through Harwood, to the South Weſt Corner of the Incloſures of Harrogate.

An Act for repealing ſo much of two Acts, made in the Eleventh and Seventeenth Years of the Reign of King George the Second, for repairing ſeveral Roads leading to and from the Town of Derby, in the County of Der-

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in the ſaid Town of Derby, through the Town of Aſhborne, to Hurdloe Houſe, in the ſaid County; for making more effectual Proviſion for the Repair of the ſaid Road; and for enabling the Truſtees to alter Part of the Courſe of the preſent Road between Aſhborne and the New Inn Turnpike.

And to Twenty-one Private Bills.

Darmſtadt, February 20. On the 15th Inſtant was celebrated here the Marriage of their Serene Highneſſes the Hereditary Prince of Heſſe-Darmſtadt with his Couſin the Princeſs Louiſa Carolina Henrietta, Daughter of his Serene Highneſs Prince George William of Heſſe-Darmſtadt.

St. James's, March 4.

The King has been pleaſed to appoint the Right Honourable Henry Dundaſs, Lord Advocate for Scotland, and Andrew Stuart, Eſq; of Craigthorn in the County of Lanark, to be Keepers of His Majeſty's Signet in Scotland.

War-Office, March 4, 1777.

Royal Regiment of Horſe Guards, Cornet Andrew Corbett is appointed to be Lieutenant, vice Henry Fownes Luttrell.

Ditto, Edward Bolton, Gent. to be Cornet, vice Andrew Corbett.

Ditto, Lieutenant Lewis Buckle to be Adjutant, vice Joſeph Darby.

2d Regiment of Dragoon Guards, Enſign Sir Edward Manley Pryce, Bart. of the 64th Regiment, to be Cornet, vice Anthony Power.

16th Regiment of Light Dragoons, Quarter-Maſter Patrick Cannon to be Cornet, vice Francis Geary.

5th Regiment of Foot, Lieutenant James Symes, from the Royal Highland Emigrants, to be Lieutenant, vice James Innes.

15th Regiment of Foot, Enſign Charles Browne to be Lieutenant, vice John M'Donnell.

21ſt Regiment of Foot, Captain Brereton Poynton, of the 1ſt Battalion of the 60th Regiment, to be Captain, vice George Montgomery Metham.

27th Regiment of Foot, Surgeon's Mate James Gowdy to be Surgeon, vice Thomas Harris.

28th Regiment of Foot, Captain-Lieutenant William Taylor to be Captain, vice John Ridley.

Ditto, Lieutenant John Wilſon to be Captain-Lieutenant, vice William Taylor.

Ditto, Enſign John Magrath to be Lieutenant, vice John Wilſon.

Ditto, Walter Cliffe, Gent. to be Enſign, vice John Magrath.

33d Regiment of Foot, Lieutenant Richard Cotton to be Captain, vice Jeremiah Tincker.

Ditto, Enſign William Raymond to be Lieutenant, vice Richard Cotton.

44th Regiment of Foot, William Hamilton, Gent. to be Enſign, vice Robert Gordon.

Ditto, Enſign William Haſſard to be Lieutenant, vice Thomas Gibbons.

Ditto, George Brabaſon, Gent. to be Enſign, vice William Haſſard.

46th Regiment of Foot, Lieutenant William Chetwynd, of the 52d Regiment, to be Captain, vice Joſeph Atkinſon.

Ditto, Surgeon's Mate George Armourer to be Surgeon, vice John Stuart.

52d Regiment of Foot, Alexander Campbell, Gent. to be Enſign, vice John Harriſon.

Ditto, Enſign Richard St. George Manſergh St. George, of the 4th Regiment, to be Lieutenant, vice William Chetwynd.

Royal Americans, 1ſt Battalion, Louis Paquet, Gent. to be Enſign, vice Hans Carden.

Ditto, Captain George Montgomery Metham, of the 21ſt Regiment, to be Captain, vice Brereton Poynton.

Ditto, 3d Battalion, Enſign Hans Carden, of the 1ſt Battalion, to be Lieutenant.

Ditto, 4th Battalion, Enſign William Keppel, of the 25th Regiment, to be Lieutenant.

61ſt Regiment of Foot, Francis Carruthers, Gent. to be Enſign, vice James Hepburne.

70th Regiment of Foot, Enſign George Williamſon to be Lieutenant, vice John Phipps.

Ditto, John Tovey, Gent. to be Enſign, vice George Williamſon.

vice William Cumberland Campbell.

Ditto, Thomas Adams, Gent. to be Enſign, vice Nicholas Danford.

Captain-Commandant Dalrymple's Corps, Enſign Chriſtopher Dowlin to be Lieutenant, vice Richard Johnſon.

Ditto, William Carruthers, Gent. to be Enſign, vice Chriſtopher Dowlin.

Ditto, Surgeon Richard Allan to be Surgeon, vice William Lees.

Captain Henry Crawford, of the 52d Regiment, to be Captain of an Independent Company of Invalids at Jerſey, vice Charles Terrott.

John Steff, Clerk, to be Chaplain to the Garriſon of Tobago, vice John Trotter.

Lieutenant-Colonel Patrick Mackellar, of the Engineers, to be Colonel in Minorca only.

Lieutenant-Colonel George Scott, of the 61ſt Regiment, to be ditto.

Colonel George Monſon to be Lieutenant-General in the Eaſt-Indies only.

Staff-Officers in North-America.

William Bruce, Surgeon to the Hoſpital, to be Extra Phyſician to ditto.

John Stuart, Surgeon to the 46th Regiment, to be Surgeon to the Hoſpital, vice William Bruce.

St. James's, January 18, 1777.

WHereas it has been humbly repreſented to the King, That in the Night of Wedneſday laſt the 15th Inſtant, or early in the Morning of Thurſday laſt the 16th Inſtant, the Ship Savannah La Mar, lying near the Crane N° 8. at Briſtol Quay, and alſo the Ship Fame, lying at another Part of the ſaid Quay, were wilfully and maliciouſly ſet on Fire, whereby not only thoſe Veſſels, but likewiſe the other Ships and Veſſels at the Quay, and all that Part of the Town, were in the moſt imminent Danger of being totally burnt and deſtroyed; and alſo that at the ſame Time the Ship Hibernia, lying at the ſaid Quay, was attempted to be ſet on Fire; and likewiſe that at the ſame Time a Warehouſe, ſituate in Cypher-Lane near Corn-ſtreet, the Property of Meſſ. James Morgan and Sons, was attempted to be burnt, the ſaid Warehouſe having been broken open, and a Box therein, containing ſeveral Combuſtible Materials, ſet on Fire: His Majeſty, for the better diſcovering and bringing to Juſtice the Perſons concerned in the ſaid atrocious Offences, is hereby pleaſed to promiſe His moſt gracious Pardon to any of the Offenders, (except the Perſon or Perſons who actually ſet Fire to the ſaid Ships or Warehouſe) who ſhall diſcover his or her Accomplice or Accomplices therein, ſo that he, ſhe, or they, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

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And, as a further Encouragement for bringing to Puniſhment the Perſon or Perſons who committed the atrocious Crime of ſetting the ſaid Ships on Fire, the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Briſtol do hereby promiſe a Reward of ONE HUNDRED GUINEAS, to be paid without any Deduction whatſoever by the Chamberlain of the ſaid City to any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall diſcover the Offender or Offenders, ſo that he ſhe, or they, be apprehended and convicted thereof.

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And, as a farther Reward, the Society of Merchants-Venturers of the City of Briſtol do hereby promiſe a like Reward of ONE HUNDRED GUINEAS, to be paid by their Treaſurer in like Manner as abovementioned, on the Conviction of the Offender or Offenders.

And Meſſ. Meyler and Maxſe and Davis and Protheroe, of the City of Briſtol, Merchants, do hereby promiſe to pay, in like Manner, a further Reward of ONE HUNDRED GUINEAS on Conviction as aforeſaid.

The like Rewards as abovementioned, with a further Reward of FIFTY GUINEAS from Meſſ. Morgan and Sons, are likewiſe promiſed to be paid on the Diſcovery, Apprehenſion and Conviction, of the Offender or Offenders who broke open the Warehouſe of the ſaid Meſſ. Morgan and Sons, and ſet Fire to the Box containing Combuſtible Materials. And the Proprietors of the ſeveral Fire-Offices of the City of Briſtol do hereby promiſe a further Reward of ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY GUINEAS on the Diſcovery and Conviction of the Offender or Offenders.

St. James's, January 21, 1777.

WHereas it has been humbly represented to the King, That in the Night of Wednesday last the 15th Instant, or early in the Morning of Thursday last the 16th Instant, the Ship Savannah La Mar, lying near the Crane N° 8. at Bristol Quay, and also the Ship Fame, lying at another Part of the said Quay, were set on Fire, whereby not only those Vessels, but likewise the other Ships and Vessels at the Quay, and all that Part of the Town, were in the most imminent Danger of being totally burnt and destroyed; and also that, at the same Time, the Ship Hibernia, lying at the said Quay, was attempted to be set on Fire; and likewise, that, at the same Time, a Warehouse, situate in Cypher-Lane near Corn-Street, the Property of Messrs James Morgan and Sons, was attempted to be burnt, the said Warehouse having been broken open, and a Box therein, containing several Combustible Materials, set on Fire; and also that, on Sunday Morning last, the 19th Instant, about Seven o'Clock, a dreadful Fire broke out in a Range of Warehouses in a Place called Quay-Lane in the said City of Bristol, whereby the whole Range of Warehouses, with the several Dwelling-Houses adjoining and opposite to the said Warehouses, were immediately in Flames; and whereas there is the greatest Reason to suspect, that the said Ships and Warehouses were wilfully and maliciously set on Fire by some evil-disposed Persons at present unknown: His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in the abovementioned atrocious Offences, or either of them, is hereby pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any one of the said Offenders, (except the Person or Persons who actually set Fire to the said Ships or Warehouses) who shall discover his or her Accomplice or Accomplices in the said Offences, or either of them, so that he, she, or they, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

And, as a farther Encouragement, His Majesty is hereby also pleased to promise a Reward of ONE THOUSAND POUNDS unto, or amongst, such Person or Persons (except as before excepted) who shall, within Three Months from this Time, discover any of the Offenders guilty of the said Offences, or either of them, so that such Offenders, or any one or more of them, shall be apprehended and duly convicted thereof; the said Reward to be paid, clear of all Deductions whatsoever, by the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, immediately after the Conviction of such Offender or Offenders.

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East-India House, March 4, 1777.

WHereas the Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies, did, on the 11th Day of September last, give Notice, That a General Court, for the Election of Six Directors in the Year 1777, would be held on the 13th Day of April, 1777; Notice is hereby given, in pursuance of an Act passed in the present Session of Parliament, That, instead of the General Election of Six Directors of the said United Company in the said Year 1777 for the Term of Four Years being made on the said 13th Day of April, 1777, the same will be made at a General Court of the said Company, to be held at their House in Leadenhall-street, from Nine o'Clock in the Morning until Six in the Evening, on Wednesday the 16th Day of the same Month of April.

And the said Court of Directors do further give Notice, that agreeable to an Act passed in the 13th Year of His present Majesty, no Person will be entitled to vote at the said Election who shall not have been possessed in his or her own Right of 1000 l. Stock for Twelve Calendar Months, except in the Cases provided for in the said Act; that every Person possessed in like Manner of 3000 l. Stock will be entitled to give two Votes; that every Person possessed in like Manner of 6000 l. Stock will entitled to give three Votes; and that every Person possessed in like Manner of 10000 l. Stock, or more, will be entitled to give four Votes, at the said Election; and that no Person in any Circumstance will be qualified to vote, unless for Stock standing in his or her own Name.

Mercers Hall, London, March 1, 1777.

THE Wardens and Commonalty of the Mystery of Mercers of the City of London do hereby desire their Annuitants and other Creditors to meet a General Court at Cheapside, on Wednesday the 26th of March instant, at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, in order to consent to and approve of the Leases proposed to be made of Part of the said Company's Estates.

Robert Cawne, Clerk.

Navy Office, March 1, 1777.

THE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy give Notice, that they will be ready to treat with such Persons as are willing to contract for the Stores under-mentioned, for His Majesty's Service, on the Days against the same expressed, at Twelve o'Clock at Noon, that they may attend with their Proposals accordingly, viz.

Iron and East-Country Tar,	Friday March 21.
Dantzic and Stettin Goods,	Monday March 24.
Hemp - - - -	Wednes. March 26.
Rosin, Tallow, Train or Pilchard Oil, - - -	Wednesday April 2.
Pitch, Tar, and Plantation Turpentine - - - -	Friday April 4.

Custom-House, London.

FOR SALE,

BY Order of the Honourable the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs, in the Long Room at the Custom-House, on Thursday the 13th of March next, at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon, in Lots of 2, 6, 8, and 10 Hhds. each.

SUGAR.

Hh.	T.	B.	
96	0	0	Barbadoes.
5	6	17	Antigua.
5	0	0	St. Kitts.
14	5	12	Nevis.
20	0	0	Tobago.

1 Bag Cassia Fistula.

Samples to be seen in Wycherley's-yard, opposite Bear Key, Tuesday the 11th, Wednesday the 12th, and Thursday the 13th of March.

WHereas we, the under-written John Saunders and Rice Jones, two of the Officers of His Majesty's Excise, did, on the 26th Day of June last, upon the Information of one Thomas Taylor, enter the House of Messrs. Stewart and Pinhorn, Tea-dealers, at the original Grasshopper in Grace-church-street, upon a Pretence of searching for concealed Goods; and whereas we have since discovered, that the Information upon which the Warrant for such Search was granted was groundless and without Foundation; and the said Messrs. Stewart and Pinhorn having commenced an Act on in His Majesty's Court of Common Pleas for such Offence, have, at our Request, agreed not to proceed to Trial in the said Cause, upon our agreeing to make an Acknowledgment of our said Offence in the Public Papers: Now we do hereby acknowledge our Sorrow for such Offence committed against the said Messrs. Stewart and Pinhorn, and do hereby thus publicly declare, that we do believe, that the Information upon which the Warrant was obtained for making such Search was intirely groundless and void of Foundation; and that there did not, nor ever did, exist any Reason for suspecting the said Messrs. Stewart and Pinhorn of any clandestine or unfair Dealing.

John Saunders.
Rice Jones.

TO be peremptorily sold, pursuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, before Samuel Pechell, Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court, at his Chambers in Symond's-inn, Chancery lane, London, on Thursday the 20th Day of March next, (and not on the 3d of March, as before advertised) between the Hours of Five and Six of the Clock in the Afternoon, in Ten Lots, The several Freehold and Copyhold Estates late of Isaac Helbert, of London, Merchant, (a Bankrupt) containing 586 Acres, or thereabouts, situate in the Parishes of Topsfield, Redgwell, and Otten Belchamp, in the County of Essex, together with the Manors of Barwick's and Scotney's, and a very good convenient Manor-house. Lot 1. consists of the Manor-house, and the Farm called Berwick-hall Farm, containing 210 Acres, with the Quit-rents and Fines belonging to the said Manor; Lot 2. a Farm called Gensford, containing 1 Hundred fifty-four Acres; Lot 3. a Farm called Gredleys, containing 64 Acres, with the Fines and Quit-rents of the Manor of Otten Belchamp; Lot 4. a Farm called Carney's Hall, containing 41 Acres; Lot 5. a Farm called the Wash Farm, containing 72 Acres; Lot 6. A Publick-house known by the Name of the Green Man, and seven Acres of Land; Lot 7. and 8. two Farms called Sturmere and Magdalen Laver Farm, containing 19 Acres; Lot 9. a small Farm called Clay Chimneys and Copyfield, containing 13 Acres; and Lot 10. seven Cottages and 4 Acres of Land. Particulars whereof may be had at the said Master's Chambers; and of Messrs. Raincock and Bolton, Old Jewry.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against John Mackintosh and Forrester Rose, of the Strand in the County of Middlesex, Glasmen and Copartners, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupts Estate and Effects, on Friday